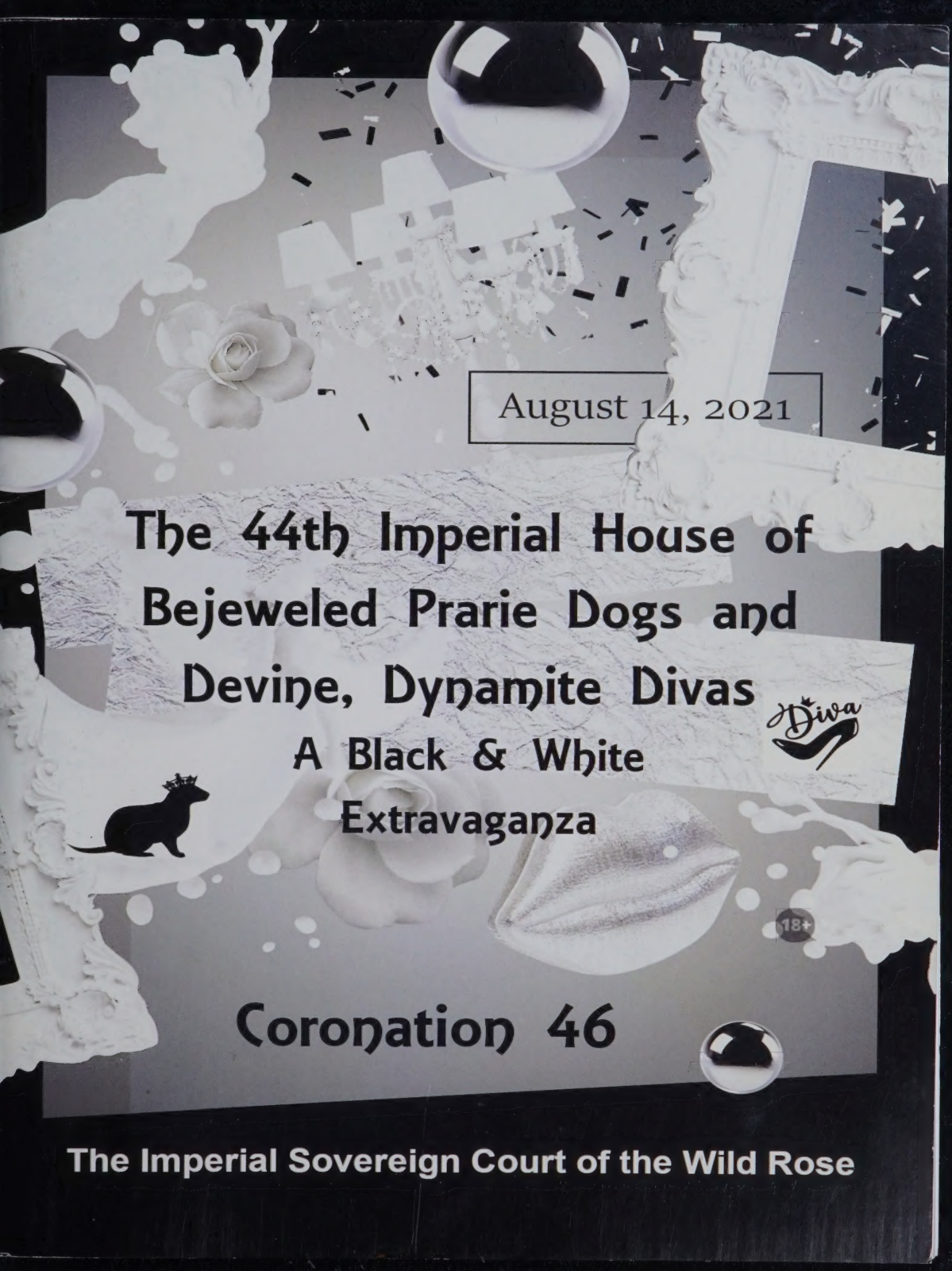

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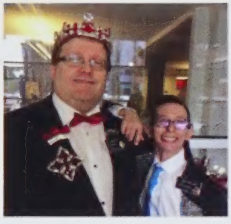













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44th House Under Millicent

HMISM Empress
Lola Lamore

HMISM Emperor
Chris D. Bear

HMISH Imperial Crown Princess
Gigi Gaynor

HMISH Imperial Crown Princet
Harry Schnitzel

HMISH Imperial Crown Duchess
Nova Gyna

HMISH Imperial Crown Duke
Vacant

Empress Halves

HMISM *Ruby Hymen*
(Edmonton)

HMISM *Shauna Starr*
(Calgary)

Emperor Halves

HMISM *Vanity Fair*
(Edmonton)

HMISM *Ruby Harte*
(Calgary)







The Lower House of the 44th Reign

Mz. Gay Edmonton XXXII: Pheromone Killz

Mr. Gay Edmonton XXXII: Colin Bae

Entertainer of the Year 2019: Darla Darwin

Miss Mary Christmas 2019: Indecisive

Mr. Mary Christmas 2019: Mac U More

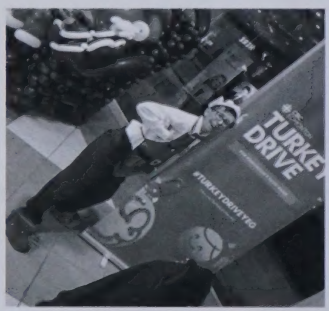
Queen of Hearts 2020: Sarah Problem

King of Hearts 2020: Panos

..... and numerous, other "camp" titles!

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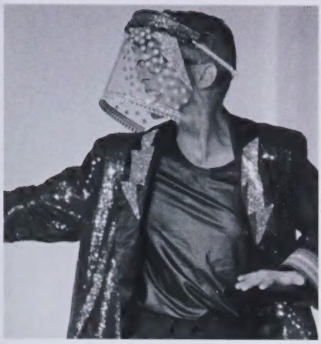






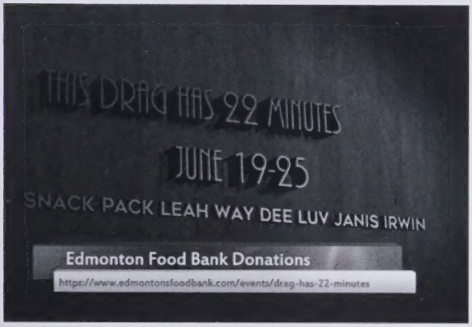








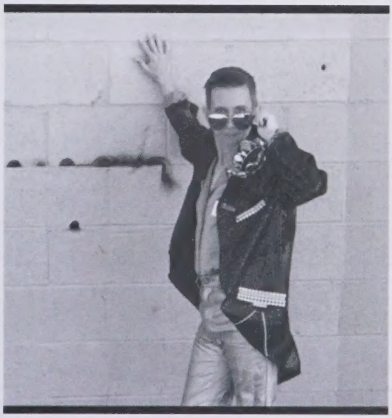

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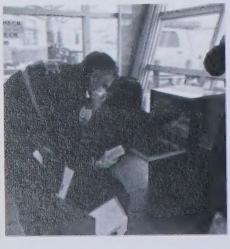















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Empress Halves



To my friend Lola,

I thank you for honouring me with the title of Half Empress for your reign with the ISCWR.

You hold such a special place in my heart, and while I know your reign as Empress was not what you had envisioned, I am proud of the work you've done for our community. I know you'll continue to use your title for the betterment of those who need support.

I toast you on your success and your completion of your year of service as Empress 44.

Much Love,

Empress 41 & Empress 44 ½

Ruby Hymen

HISH, Empress 44 1/2, Shauna Starr



My dear Lola
You are a true example of what many strive for and often fail at, you stay true to you.
If this were the only thing to remember you for, it would be leaps and bounds amongst many and for that, and that alone I am so very proud to call you friend and sister Empress.
The world is blessed with you in it, and you are blessed to be part of its experience.
I leave these words below to those who may read them in the hopes they too look at someone like Lola and follow through.

We can be kind, we can take care of each other
We can remember that deep down inside we all need the same things
And maybe we'll find, if we are there for each other
That together we'll weather, whatever tomorrow may bring

It was, and will always be, a true pleasure to be your half Lola
In Service I remain
Empress 44.5 of Edmonton
Shauna Starr

HISH, Empress 44 1/2, Vanity Fair

Emperor's Halves



Reign 44 seems so many years ago and in many was a fleeting moment in time. I am always blown away by the resilience of this amazing organization and the remarkable humans that make it what it is. The upper houses of Reign 44 and 45 are no exception! You have all made the most of not so great circumstances and accomplished amazing things. I have every faith that the future of the ISCWR is secure and in great hands, you should all be very proud!

Chris D. Bear it was a true honor to be your In-Town half Empress. You are one of the kindest, most sincere people I have ever met. Your determination and positive attitude throughout your reign are an inspiration. You led your upper house with grace, dignity and respect and I know they will never forget you for that. Continue to let your sun shine =)

I remain HISM Empress 37 and 44.5
Vanity Fair <3

HISH, Empress 44 1/2, Ruby Harte



Chris and Lola

I want to thankyou for allowing me to be a part of your reign it was a true pleasure!!!

And now here we are, another wonderful year complete. I would like to congratulate Tanner and Carrie on a wonderful year you should be very proud congrats and enjoy your night!

I remain

Her Most Imperial Sovereign Majesty, the Crimson Rose Heart of the Prairies

Decade Empress 36 and 45 of Calgary

Empress 44 ½ of Edmonton

Ruby Elizabeth Harte

Triple Decade Monarchs, Empress & Emperor XIV, Leah Way & Rob



As I sat down to write this note I felt a surge of emotions as memories of a distant past came flooding back. I've been in a reflective mood lately, and recently re-read my very first step down message from August 18, 1990, yes that long ago. Things have changed, most has not.



In the 90's we began to be more widely recognized in mainstream environments, we all continued to face an ever-more-challenging sometimes hostile public, we, the community leaders, those that were not afraid to stand up and speak out needed to get out in front of events and shape them, rather than to wait and be buffeted by them. This meant we had to be bolder and more creative than ever before. This meant we had to take a stand for what we knew was right. This meant those of us who were able, had to stand up and fight for our very lives and the lives and livelihoods of those who could not. It was because many of us were able to take a stand and fight for our rights and freedoms that many of you reading this message have never known anything different but to have those privileges (marriage, job security, being able to rent a home with your partner, be with your partner in their final moments to name but a few). Being Empress allowed me that privilege. Some of you ask, why does it always have to be a fight and the answer is so that someday somewhere those of us who wear the label of "different" won't have to fight, it will just be and there won't be a label. And over the last 30 years, that's exactly what we've done. I'm asking all of you reading this to identify one thing in our community (your community) that needs to be changed, needs to be better and then to take a stand and make it happen. Do the right thing and do the work so that those who follow don't have to.







To all my colleagues, friends, and family, thank you for making the last 30 years special beyond words. Thank you for your support.



With deepest affection, I remain

Her Imperial Sovereign and Gracious Majesty

Heir Apparent to Queen Mother of the Americas

Empress 14, 30 & 36 of Edmonton

Unity Empress Ultima of All Alberta

Leah Way

First off.....Welcome back everyone. I am sure that we are greatly looking forward to life going back to more normal, however we need to realize it will never be exactly as it was. I know that many of us had to go through some hard times with either our own health issues or those of our loved ones and unfortunately some of us have lost someone we loved. To those individuals, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.

My greatest hope is that even though we have had a difficult time to get through, that we have all made it through with some of our sanity intact and a greater respect and appreciation for those that are around us in the community and for the contribution and each and every individual made during this time no matter how small some may think it is.

Well..... 30+ years ago I was young, naive and full of piss and vinegar. I like to think that I am still doing pretty good although after an evening of dancing I do need to be taking Advil or Tylenol otherwise I will not be moving to well the next day....lol

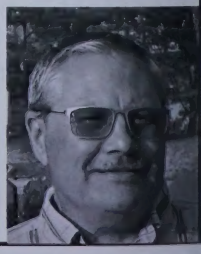
Life has definitely been a journey for me over the last 30+ years, some good and some unfortunately not so good. That being said, I have looked for the life lessons in all of it and have made the choice to continue on one day at a time and not dwell on what happened and what could have been. My higher power has decided that my life needed to be mixed up and I now need to figure out the next chapters of my adventure.

Even though I have not been directly involved with the ISCWR for quite some time, I have tried to keep aware of what has been going on. I must say that I am very proud of how this organization has grown and blossomed since my time and managed to do so much for our community at large. This is not only through the fundraising and donations, but also the education of society, being out there for people to see and ask questions and especially being there for those individuals that were struggling to "come out" and helping them through their personal struggles mainly by showing them just how wonderful this community is.

To all the monarchs that have had to reign and figure out new ways of doing things through this pandemic, including all of those individuals that supported them, I would just like to say.....AWSOME JOB.....and I am very proud of what you have all accomplished and do not let anyone tell you any different.

I am very confident from what I have seen in the community that the ISCWR will be around for a very long time and accomplish extraordinary things for the community at large.

To the new monarchs.....you are you. Stay true to what you want to accomplish and do the best that you can. That is all that one can do. Please remember, we are human, and as such we make mistakes. It is what we take away from those mistakes that are important.



HISM Emperor XIV

The Dance Emperor

The 14th Imperial House of Silver Tongs and Dance

Decade Monarch, Empress XXXIV, Ivanna Diamonds



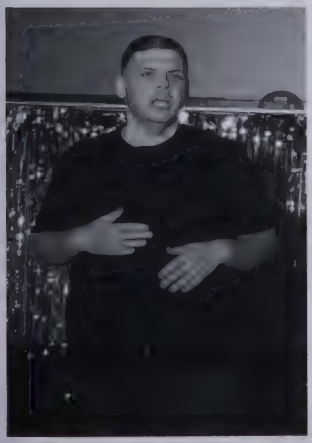


Good Evening

It is hard to believe that it has been now over 10 years since I was crowned Empress 34. I wanted to thank my Emperor Big Daddy as could not have done it without you. To our amazing upper house Godiva, Kitty, Robert and Jeff you all made the year so much fun. I have many great memories of all my years involved and my love for the ISCWR. The court has an amazing history and I hope to see that continue for many more years.

Much Love
I remain HISM
Ivanna Diamonds
Empress 34, Decade Empress 36
Organizer Extraordinaire Ultima
Recipient of the Royal Order of the Maple Leaf
Recipient of the Saskatchewan Royal Order of Canada
Recipient of the Royal Order of The Empress of Canada Mr. Ted North

Decade Monarch, Emperor XXXIV, BigDaddy Pump



Your Majesties, Dignitaries, Honored Guests

I cannot believe that over 10 years has gone by since stepping up as Emperor 34. So much has happened. Stepped up as Emperor 36 with 5 other fantastic people, became an Heir Apparent to the Queen Mother of the Americas 1, Nicole the Great to now Heir Emeritus and continued and still continue to support the imperial court system. And who knew we would be going into a global pandemic. So much change, but we still stand strong.

I want to thank my Empress Ivanna Diamonds for their friendship and support throughout all these years. We are still 2 peas in a pod.


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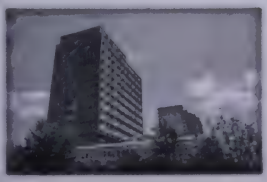
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Her Most Imperial Sovereign Grace, Grand Duchess XLIV,

Nova Gyna

Good Day to everyone able to attend this year's ISCWR Coronation. I hope you and your loved ones have been safe and have good health despite what has been happening globally. I write this message from my home on the East coast and away from the city I started the Reign in, but a big piece of my heart still remains in Edmonton. I hope by the time this message gets published we are able to come together again and I can see your beautiful faces and get a big hug from anyone willing!

To my friends in Regina, you are all synonymous with the word "fun". Every time I visit is a treat because of the hospitality from everyone. Joycelynn is an absolute super Starr, always a treat to see someone that can light up a room with their positive energy! Delorass used to be a good time, but now she has become a great time! Minnesota was a blast with you both, and I cannot wait to do it again!

Winnipeg will always have a special place in my heart. It is my favorite Coronation, especially because on Sunday afternoon after victory brunch we all go down to the Forks. I have only gone twice so far, but memories were made to last a lifetime. You can be sure I will be at the next one! I love you all, but a special shoutout goes to Dusty Rhodes and Slaytana, two people who supported me and were more than willing to help if I needed anything.

Thank you to; Ruby Hymen for making me look my best, Rob Browatzke for having my back, the Brunchables for your friendships, and the team of Reign 44 for all your hard work making this reign happen. We faced some bumps in the road, but we did it!



As I write this, I am missing all of you greatly. Even if you are not mentioned, you have probably influenced my life somehow, and I think I am better because of it. The court opened opportunities for me to meet amazing people and create everlasting bonds. I love you all, and cannot wait to see you again!

Much love and big hugs,
Her Imperial Sovereign Grace
Duchess 44
Nova Gyna

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Her Most Imperial Sovereign Highness, Princess XLIV,

GiGi Gaynorc



Expressing myself in words was and has never been my strong suit, But here it goes anyways. Honoured guests, friends, family. I welcome you to Coronation 45 a Black and White Extravaganza.

Having the opportunity to sit and write this message is very haunting and difficult. To place in words the way I wish to express my year and reign. Before I go forward I would like to thank everyone. My heart can not thank you enough for what you did for us this year **THANK YOU !!!!**

Now to business: there is some people I like to thank.

Lola- My Empress, thank you for asking me to be your candidate I was excited to say YES. We had a fun time together and it meant a lot thank you Lola for believing in me I hope I made you proud. Love You.

Emperor Chris- Thank you for allowing me to join you on this journey its something I would not forget. There where many ups and downs and we pulled through. Thank you for your guidance and love.

Prince Harry- Omg the laughs and stories I can say are my biggest highlights, I am glad that I got to know you better. I know everything was crazy but we made it through. Love you Kermit.

Duchess Nova Gyna- My sister you have always been there when I needed someone to talk to. We had great fun rehearsing numbers or talking but the past. I wish you all the best on your new journey. Miss You.

Calgary- Tim. Natasha, Kacee, Moe, Jesilo, Riley and to Everyone in Calgary. The friendships we made will be in my heart. Love you all.

Vancouver- So many loving people, so many to mention but just know each one of you holds a special place in my heart. Till we meet again.

Regina- You all rock so much! Thank you for the warm welcome that you gave me on my first ever visit there. The friendship I made I will hold dearly.

C-19- You came in the middle of the reign and you shook things up. It was a challenge for us to figure out through this we did not see eye to eye. We did not get to see each other, we did not have our big step down. But what I believe what we did was the best thing.

Evolution Wonderlounge- Rob, Scott and Murray. Thank you for allowing us to use your venue to have a first ever virtual step-down. Thank you Twiggy for painting my face and serving us wonderful drinks.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAD A HAND IN THIS YEAR. FROM THE BOARD TO OUR MEMBERSHIP. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR DEDICATION.

I Remain Her Imperial Sovereign Highness Imperial Crown Princess 44 GiGi: Thunder Thighs! Gaynor

Her Most Imperial Sovereign Majesty, Empress XLIV, Lola Lamore



Welcome friends, family, and other dignitaries to coronation 46. What a whirlwind these past two years have been. We've been locked out shut down and dealt a blow as only a worldwide virus can do. Through it all we've remained hopeful hard working and determined. When I stepped up in 2019 I had no idea that 6 months later the world would go into a dark place. Enough depressing garbage lets celebrate the past two reigns.

Reign 44:
What can be said expect what a ride that was. We hit the ground running and it went way too fast. Before the world experienced covid 19 we were building bridges and blazing trails in our community. This was definitely one of my goals when I decided to run. I'm so proud to be a part of an amazing team that despite the odds still gave away a crap load of money.

Chris D Bear: my emperor we sure had a different vision for the year than what we got. Through it all you managed to keep me level headed and on the ground. I know I wasn't always the easiest to work with but I am proud to have reigned alongside you.

Gigi: my princess, "pig n bread" and "oh look Lola's in the field" you are truly one of a kind and your heart for the community is huge. You stepped up and you truly exceeded my expectations. You are truly a leader and you've made me one proud mama.

Harry: my princet. Or should I say the energizer bunny of 44. I don't know where your energy comes from but you truly are someone I look up to.

Nova: my duchess I'm so proud I got to work along side you. Our trip to Regina was truly one of my most cherished times in our reign. Your tell it like it is way kept us all on track many times.

To our halves:
Ruby Hymen: my goodness what a trip. You and I had our squabbles but you kept me sane. You were my strength and butt kicker when needed. I couldn't have asked for anyone better to be my half. I love you lady.

Alexander d knight: first off thank you for joining me on this journey. You have always been a church lady fan and your guidance and hugs were always welcome. From victory brunch till even now you send me the most loving messages at the right times thank you and I love you friend.

Vanity Fair: the come to Jesus queen of the reign. Your guidance was always a welcome part to our reign. Being a mentor to me all these years it was a privilege to have you in our house

Ruby Harte: mama I love you. To reign alongside you was a true gift. You will always be a part of my life.

Reign 45:
First off congratulations I'm so very proud to be dowager for such an amazing group. Yall have had one heck of a year. Moving from in person events to online has been a shift in our world as performers. The way yall stepped up during this world situation has been inspiring. You were given a crappy situation and you've made a lot of lemonade with the lemons.

There are many people I could name in this message but I'm afraid I'll forget someone. To everyone who supported the ISCWR during 44 and 45 a huge thank you. Without your support we'd not have raised what we did. It's been a rough year but as always we've overcome many obstacles. It was truly a blessing to serve this community

I remain.
Her imperial sovereign majesty empress 44
Lola Lamore, LeBehr, Mallow, XXXpress, Chayne, Blooms, EsqueSantos, Lonestar, Harte, Breeze

Reign 44



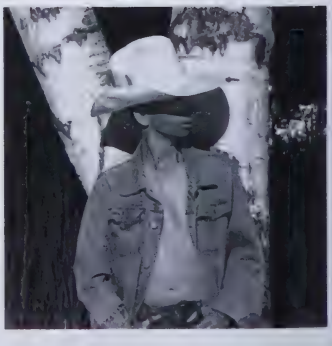














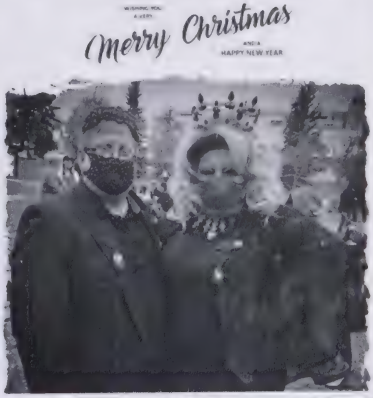











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His Most Imperial Sovereign Majesty, Emperor XLIV,
Chris D. Bear

Good Evening, Monarchs, Family, Friends. Welcome, to Reign 44 set down and to celebrate the stepping up of reign 45 and to a Virtual Coronation 45 a Black and White Extravaganza.

It has been a year that I have been proud to be part of and of course honored to be elected and be part of. Though I could not get out to visit other friends and Monarchs from other courts certainly have kept in touch through social media and telephone. I take from this great experience and love that I have for the community and the kindness that I have seen and be part of. During this time was one to realize that should never take things for granted and show love and understanding in the time that we are in.

Regina Coronation - The first stop what a wonderful time and the people of Regina's wonderful group. Had a blast with everyone and met some great people and to Joycelynn Starr and your upper house, you will do great things.

Vancouver Coronation - Well the second stop always looks forward to the drive and has a great time visiting with everyone from the in-town show to the out of town show to a coronation. It was a time that certainly holds dear in my heart. To Emperor Sean and Empress Kendell, you certainly had stepped up and you do well throughout your year that certainly was one of uncertainly. Love and best and when things are back looking forward to coming to visit and celebrate with you as well.

Hamilton (Waterfall Empire) - Empress Miss Drew it was a pleasure to meet you in Vancouver and one of the kindest souls one can meet. Hope that we can meet in person at your coronation but watching you step down and step up as Regent Empress you will always do your community proud. Sending you best and hope to see you in person soon.

Calgary - Well congrats to both Emperor Ryan Ginger and Emprex Natasha Brite got to see you both step up in reign 43. Even coming down to Calgary's pride to celebrate and even come to visit you all at your EOY with Nina Tron. Even was at your step down on zoom even though did not have a coronation we were always there to support you all. Come to visit you when you both invested your 44 reigns wanted to show Edmonton's love. Love to you both and your upper house with a year of success and you tried your best to make a great year. Hope to see you all soon when things get better.

This year has been a year got to visit a lot of courts in the ICS via Facebook and watch their coronations on the new media at the time of Facebook. Would have loved to meet you all in person but safety is always first and when it comes to the time the international borders are open and safe to travel we will all meet in person.

My Princess - Princess 44 Gigi thank you for your help it has been an experience. When things needed to be done you certainly helped out and thank you very much. It has not been an easy time but you made it and hope that it helps you with what you decide in the future.

My Princet - Prince 44 Harry Schnitzel with your help has been great too thank you. You have to start your Lovegood Food Boxes and your love for the community great to see. Your chats were always fun and insightful keep that love for the community in your heart. Thank you and for your friendship for a long time.



My Duchess - Duchess 44 Nova Gyna thank you for stepping up to starting up the Fan fundraiser and being a host of the FAB show. It started to be a great year and I know if it was not for the pandemic your show would have been a great thing. Thank you for helping in the reign as much as you can. Wishing you all the best in your drag career and all the best to you.

Empress 44 1/2 - Miss Vanity Fair thank you for your help that you give me this year every bit certainly helped. Even a quick hello and to make sure that things are alright. Being a hostess to a great ambassador to reign 44 you have stepped up when you did. Thank you for your help and for sending you to love always.

Out of Town Empress 44 1/2 - Miss Ruby Harte you helped and come to town when we had events thank you for your love and support and certainly one of kind that had a laugh when we have seen each other. You have a heart of gold and love you.

Empress 44 1/2 - Ruby Hymen thank you for all your input throughout the reign you certainly helped what you could to have a great reign. From helping the Princess and doing hosting as well and your help was certainly a big thing a thank you and lots of love to you.

Out of Town Empress 44 1/2- Shauna Starr thank you for all your support and it was great to see you at the EOY in Calgary and Calgary's Pride you love and support certainly was wonderful.

Church Lady Lola Lamore -Stepping up with you and having the common goal of raising money for the chosen charities Little Warriors, Edmonton Food Bank, and HIV Edmonton. You love your community and want to do good. Thank you for your help you did during reign 44 and certainly wish you all the best in the future.

Evolution Wonderlounge - Thank you for all your support of using your space throughout the year. This year has been a year of change and of firsts. Thank you for your help with opening your doors to help us celebrate Coronation 45 and doing an online event. Hope soon that Evolution will open when safe to do and we can celebrate and be our home and friends. Thank you and much love.

Lastly, one more person I wish to thank and who has stood by me through thick and thin, but always put a smile on my face. Gigi (Kevin) this has been a year that is one in our memories. Thank you and I am so glad to have you on this journey you are the love of my life always.

If I missed anyone, I deeply and sincerely apologize this has been a very emotional time...

Forever in service His Most Imperial Majesty,

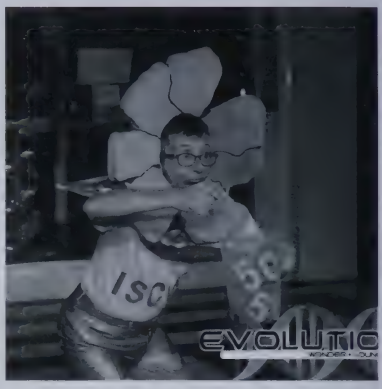
Emperor 44 of Edmonton and All of Northern Alberta

Chris D Bear Breeze, Harte

Brother to Emperor 33 Sundance Lonestar

His Most Imperial Sovereign Highness, Princet XLIV,

Harry Schnitzel



As very tough couple years draws to close...find self looking back to find words, say feelings that have when so much changed on such huge level.

Firstly would like to thank membership who put their trust in me represent ISCWR as Prince XLIV. Hope have served you well.

Secondly would like to thank community who banded together during tough times. Somehow we continue do what our community does best...we fought..no give in to adversity..and many of us learned true meaning support for others in community. I know I sure did.

A lot changed from March last year...a lot continues change..even now. I no think any of us are same people we were then. As sit here reflecting on things that became important and others that now seem insignificant..I see change on horizon and better days ahead. Things different for sure, but that not always horrible thing.

To reign 44 upper house: Things not go as planned..but we made through. Pig & bread.

To reign 45 as started your year midway through this pandemic..your task full of challenges and uncertainty. Like reign 44, was impossible to know what coming next most times but here you are..still standing in face of all that came your way.

Thank you to CHEW project for letting me "Radar O'Reily" stuff for them. I not want see another sock again long time but the ICS sock challenge was rewarding watching many, including ISCWR support LGBTQ++ youth with so many donations.

Thank you to the board for putting up with various seemingly hairbrained ideas and giving me latitude to implement them when pandemic hit. That latitude allowed one recycle box turn into over one dozen throughout Edmonton and now beyond. Many people...most perfect strangers, not starve ..not have make choice between rent and food. Many people felt our community cared about their well being. Thank you everyone who stepped up donate to boxes..drove...help in clothing drives CHEW..delivered thank you cards to Health Care Workers...took care of these boxes and built refurbished painted and repaired them. Maybe to some it not look or feel like much..but to hungry cold people..it made big difference. It gave hope in a world where that sometimes tough to have.

To sister and her husband: Thank you for letting me be there through it all and giving little human my name. It is huge honour. Little nugget already shining light in my life and for sure will be in anyone human meet. Youth are next generation and know that this human will go on do great things..especially with great parents as support.

May each every one of you..take care each other..and next generation coming behind us, as one before us did, to pave way for better world.
I remain,
HISH Prince 44 Harry Schnitzel LoveGood K Car Dynasty Drag-On

Lord of Chicken Nuggets, Garden Gnomes, and all things Gigantic.

The 32nd Mr Gay Edmonton—Colin Bae



Hello Everyone!

I had such an amazing time reigning as your Mr. Gay Edmonton! I was lucky to spend a lot of time at the Pride Centre of Edmonton speaking with the youth in our community. From movie nights, drag days and just casual hang outs, thank you PCE for giving me a space to be myself and have fun!

My Mz. Gay Pheromone – Thank you for sharing the year with me and going along with all my crazy ideas!

Reign 44 – Thank you all for your support through the year. All of your kind words of encouragement and trust meant a lot to me.

To our new Gay Edmonton's – Take it all in, remember to have fun, and hold your head high! Don't blink, this next year will go by faster than you expect.

Mr. Gay Edmonton 32
Colin Bae

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RISING STAR LJ STEELE MEMORIAL AWARD

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FORGING FRIENDSHIPS

2020 RECIPIENT SISTER MARY CLARENCE

THE PRESIDENTS AWARD

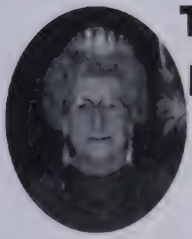
2020 RECIPIENT TOSHEENA THOMPSON

AWARDS

THE EMPRESS 1 MILLICENT LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD IS PRESENTED TO A MEMBER OF THE COLLEGE OF MONARCHS WHO HAS CONTRIBUTED 10 OR MORE YEARS TO THE COURT



IN 2020, THE AWARD WAS GIVEN TO MYRA MAINES



THE MOTHER JEAN LAWSON MEMORIAL AWARD IS PRESENTED TO AN ALLY OF THE ISCWR WHOSE SERVICE AND DEDICATION HAS BEEN OUTSTANDING.

IN 2020, THE AWARD WAS GIVEN TO TALAYNA EKELUND

THE JOHN DESMIT CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD IS PRESENTED TO A PERSON WHO HAS CONTRIBUTED FREELY TO MAKING OUR COMMUNITY A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE.

IN 2020, THE AWARD WAS GIVEN TO COREY WYNESS

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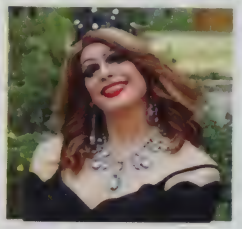
























Imperial Sovereign Court of the Wild Rose
45th House Under Millicent

HMISM Empress
Carrie Du'Way

HMISM Emperor
Tanner Steele

HMISH Imperial Crown Princess
Rexy Resurrection

HMISH Imperial Crown Prince
Colin Bae

HMISH Imperial Crown Duchess
GoDiva

HMISH Imperial Crown Duchess
Bambi Dextrous

Empress Halves

HMISM *Kenya DeWitt*
(Edmonton)

HMISM *Maya Fantasee*
(Regina)

Emperor Halves

HMISM *Jacque Strappe*
(Edmonton)

HMISM *Hellacious Acres*
(Regina)









The Lower House of the 45th Reign

Entertainer of the Year 2020: Artasia

Ms Mary Christmas 2020: Jennie Talia

Mx Mary Christmas 2020: Gemma Nye

Mr Mary Christmas 2020: Ferris Fair

Queen of Hearts 2021: Selena Cuchina

King of Hearts 2021: Gabe Autumn

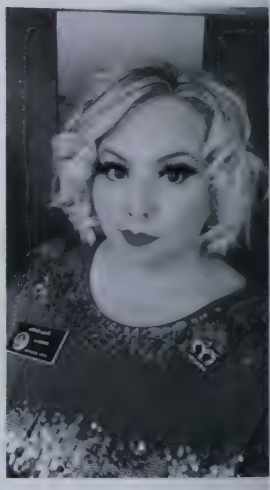
Mz. Gay Edmonton XXXIII: Indecisive

Mr. Gay Edmonton XXXIII: Gabe Itch

Ms Amateur 2021: Tia De Vil

..... and numerous, other "camp" titles!

Imperial Sovereign Court of the Wild Rose
President of the Board



Theydies and Gentlethems,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I welcome you to Coronation 46 – An 80s Prom Fantasy. I have been honoured to serve as President again this year. Being a member of the Executive Board is not an easy task; however, I am continuously grateful for the opportunity to serve this organization and our community.

While I can certainly say that this past year was a struggle, it would be amiss to say there were no significant benefits that came from it. The COVID-19 pandemic certainly derailed any previously planned plans; it continued far longer than anyone anticipated and, without a doubt, took the fun and excitement out of drag shows. It also helped propel us into the electronic/ digital game. We were able to implement diverse ways of operating and encouraged us all to "think outside the box". While I will always feel some sadness and disappointment for Reign 45 and all they missed out on this past year, I will also forever be grateful for their innovation, ambition and perseverance. The success of this reign would not have been possible without their passion for their community and the ISCWR.

Tanner, Carrie, Colin, Rexy, GoDiva and Bambi – You should forever be proud of the work you've done this year. Our community, the world and our organization has seen turmoil this year, and each of you navigated your reign with creativity, poise and grace.

Thank you to our membership for your continued support, encouragement and love. It's always a delicate balance between progress and respect for tradition, and I believe our ISCWR family is the best representation of both these sides.

I remain in service,

President of the Board
Tosheena Thompson



LOWER HOUSE TITLES

SCAN TO SEE THE WHOLE LIST!

ENTERTAINER OF THE YEAR

...

REIGN 44 - DARLA DARWIN

REIGN 45 - ARTASIA

THE GAY EDMONTONS

...

CROWNED IN 2019 - COLIN BAE AND PHEROMONE KILLS

CROWNED IN 2021 - GABE ITCH AND INDECISIVE

THE HEARTS

REIGN 44 - PANOS AND SARAH PROBLEM

REIGN 45 - SELENA CUCHINA AND GABE AUTUMN

THE CHRISTMASSES

REIGN 44 - MAC U MORE AND INDECISIVE

REIGN 45 - JENNIE TALIA, FERRIS FAIR, GEMMA NYE

President of the College of Monarchs



Your Majesties, Dignitaries, Honored Guests

I welcome you to Coronation 46 – An 80's Prom Fantasy. This year has certainly been the most challenging year being amid a global pandemic. Their Majesties, the Upper house, the board and our college and court members made this a phenomenally successful year. I am truly blessed to be part of a great organization. As always, there were ups and downs, challenges, successes, but with such a strong group of members, we were able to push through and move the organization forward. Our membership continues to grow.

I must commend Emperor 45 Tanner Steele and Empress 45 Carrie Du Wy ay, the upper house and the board for their hard work, their creativity, their ability to adapt to change and use it to continue the legacy of the court system. To raise the amount of money for charity as they did is beyond phenomenal. When people and businesses faced financial hardship due to the global pandemic and lockdown, people still gave to charity. Utterly amazing and it proves we still live in a world of mostly good and love. It is efforts like these that make us move forward and positive in a world that is so full of negativity.

Thank you to the College of Monarchs for your continued support and mentorship whether it be on the sidelines or as an active role in the organization. Many of you have set the path and it is up to us and our future members to continue that path. It is those who came before us who were instrumental for where we are today, and we must not forget our history. It is up to us to guide, mentor and support our youth as they are our future. I only hope the ISCWR will continue its work for many years to come. It is important to serve our community and strive for equality for all. In the words of Jose Julio Sarria, "United we stand, divided they will get us one by one".

"From Our Hearts, Through the Courts, For the Community"

Again, I want to thank everyone for your support.

I Remain
H.I.S.M. Emperor 34 and 36
President of the College of Monarchs of the ISCWR
Heir Emeritus and Member of the Privy Council to the Queen Mother of the Americas 1, Nicole the Great
BigDaddy Pump

Thank You

To the ISCWR! To all who contributed in some way to this Souvenir Ball Program—the community at large, our sponsors, our webmaster, the Upper House and the Board, you all make it possible. To our guests; we hope you enjoy your Coronation experience and we hope to see many of you at **Investiture** on **September 5, 2021** at the Evolution Wonderlounge.

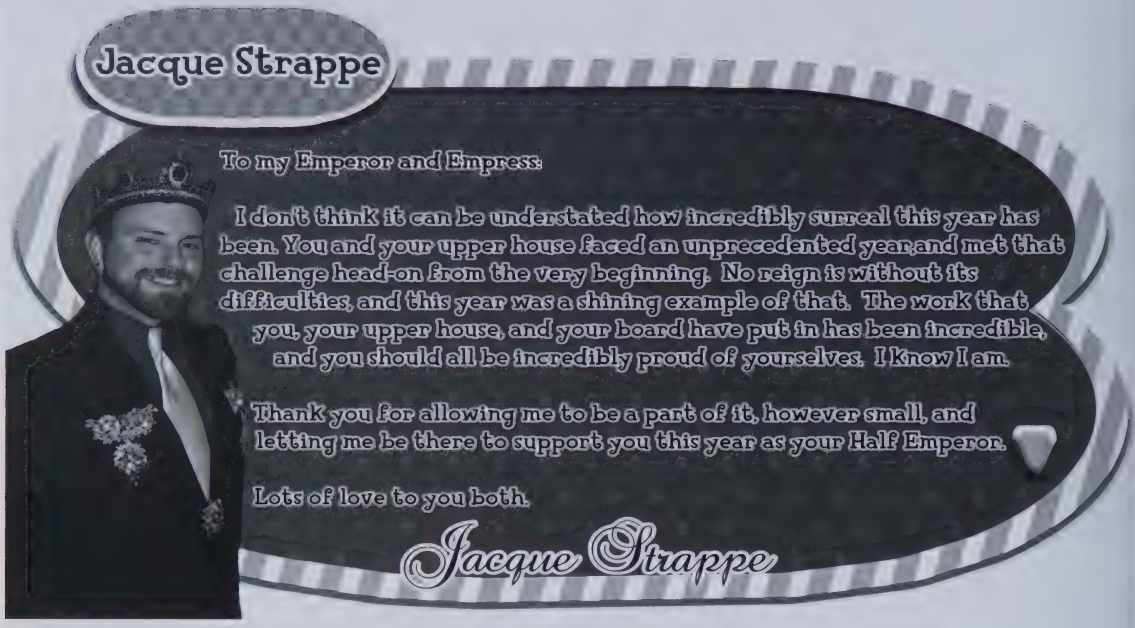
Michelle Pederson, Ball Program Editor

Investiture



Emperor's Halves

HMISH, Emperor 45 1/2, Jacque Strappe



HMISH, Empress 45 1/2, Hellacious Acres

When a new House steps up, they dream about what their reign will look like... a global pandemic isn't one of those dreams. But nevertheless, the 45th House made the brave decision to step up and fundraise to assist students seeking further education. You should all be incredibly proud of yourselves.



Carrie and Tanner – The hard work of your reign is over, but now we have an entire year of travel, parties, and memories to catch up on. Love you two more than a cheese slice on a breast. Pass the torch to the next monarchs and enjoy your stepdown.

Tanner: Welcome to the family, my newest Hell Hound <3

I remain,
Empress XLV ½ of Edmonton & All of Northern Alberta
Empress XXVI of Regina & All of Saskatchewan
Hellacious Acres

Empress Halves

HMISH, Empress 45 1/2, Kenya DeWitt

Congratulations to the entire house of Candied Yams and Fish Tacos! Never in our wildest dreams did we think that one of the few in-person events this reign would be Coronation 46 – but here we are. You have all accomplished some fantastic things this year, and you should be very proud of the year you have had.

My dear Carrie. Ten years in the making. I know this year was not even a fraction of what you expected. Despite the challenges this year gave you and your team, you made your community, the ISCWR, and me very proud. Thank you for allowing me to be even one small piece of this long-awaited journey. You will never forget the things you wished you had done differently or the things that did not go as planned, but I will always be there to remind you of how much you accomplished and how deserving you are of the title Empress. You are truly a remarkable person and friend, and I have no doubt after some downtime and reflection, this year will be a bright spot in life for years to come. I am so proud of you, and I love you for always.

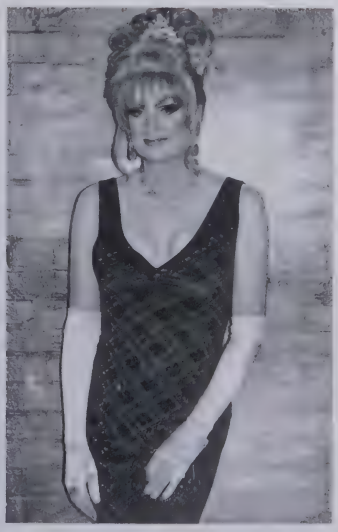
HISM Empress 42
HMISM Empress 45 ½



Kenya DeWitt

Triple Decade Monarch, Empress XV, Twiggy

Wow! 30 years go by so fast. Some things change and some things remain the same. The I.S.C.W.R has done and will continue to do some Amazing things in our Community, and it has launched many a Fabulous Personality over the years as well! As always I am honored to be a small part of this organization in whatever capacity is needed and will continue to Champion all of our causes. Congrats to Tanner and Carrie for all you have accomplished this year! Best of Luck to the Candidates and remember I LOVE EVERYONE.....SCEPTRE.



I remain, The Legend (in her own Lunchtime)
Wildrose Empress XV Twiggy

Double Decade Monarchs, Empress & Emperor XXV

Ron & Mr. Vera

Welcome to Coronation 2021 – an 80's Prom Fantasy. Though our own Prom's were well before the 80's both Mr. Vera and Ron are sure the evening will be filled with fun and friendship.

Twenty years ago we stepped down ending our year of salute to the Silver Jubilee of the I.S.C.W.R. - From Silver Screens to Broadway Follies. We had an exciting year of fundraising and traveling to our Sister Courts. And keep those memories close to our hearts.

After decades of service to The Court, we have both chosen to step back and let the amazing talents of the young folks now moving The Court forward shine in their efforts. After a year of extraordinary challenges to mankind we are grateful to see the foundations of Alberta's longest running LGBTQ2S+ organization are strong and healthy. Congratulations to the 45 reign for their outstanding work and designating the funds they raised to the John M. Kerr Memorial Bursary Award named after a dear friend of both of us.

Twenty years ago a new elected Emperor and Empress were crowned and a new reign began. Emperor 26 Rob and Empress 26 Ida Claire carried The Court forward in an exciting new reign. Tonight a new Emperor 46 and Empress 46 will be crowned and both of us can not wait to see the amazing things they will accomplish.

Have a fun evening and thank you for giving us the opportunity to once again be recognized.

We remain

Emperor 25 Ron Empress 25
The Silver Toweled Jubilee Impresario
The Strength of the Wild Rose

Mr. Vera Toronto Jackson CBT
The Silver Jubilee Swan
The Future of the Wild Rose



Decade Monarch, Empress XXXV, Dee Luv

Empress XXXV Mz. Dee Luv

Words cannot begin to express my gratitude to the community of Edmonton and those both near and far who supported me during my reign and more importantly throughout the last 10 years. I have certainly grown as an individual with the help of and, sometimes in spite of, those around me.

I'm still very proud of what the 35th reign accomplished. We raised buckets of money, helped many charities and entertained the people of the realms near and far. Even with all of the good times there are some bad times and I have to tell you that this was an unforgettable experience and I would do it all over again if my community needed me to, even with the multitude of changes in the organization and our community. Although I am not as visible these days my love and support for my community, a community that embraced me, has never waivered.

My biggest regret is that I am unable to share this evening with my Emperor LJ Steele. Our year would not have been the amazing year it was without you and for that I thank you for giving me a lifetime of memories. I miss our dinners, I miss our chats, I miss your encouragement and most of all I miss my friend. This night belongs to you as much as it does to me.

I will always be the Peoples Empress Ultima of all Alberta - HISM Empress 35 representing The 35th Imperial House of The Lady and The Tramp - 101 Puppies in Tow







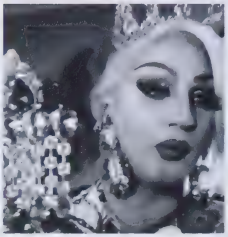

Decade Monarch, Emperor XXXV, Lj Steele





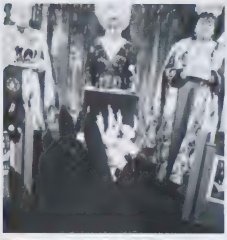
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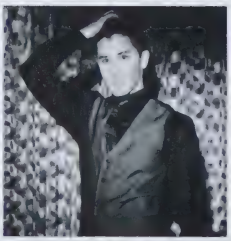












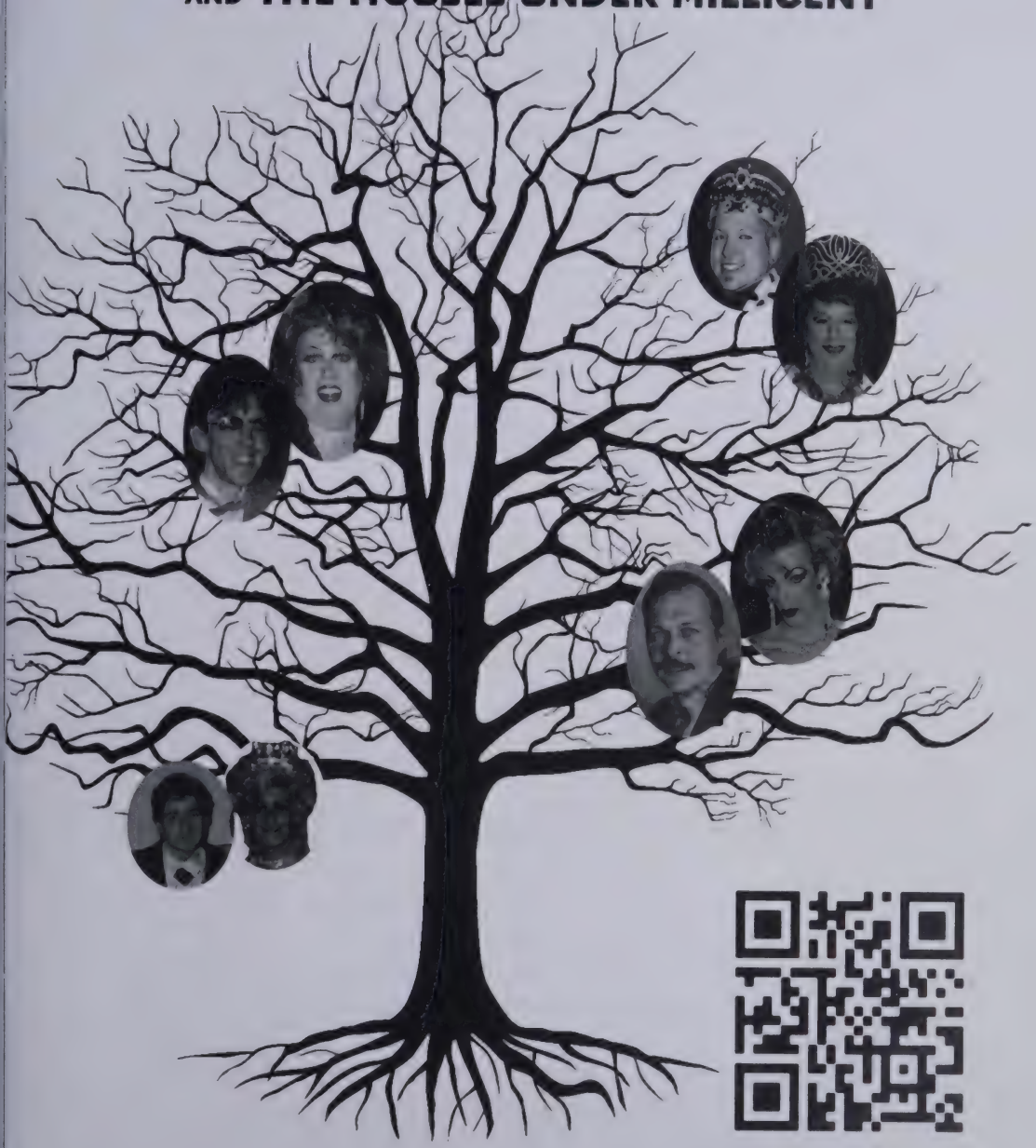






ANNIVERSARY MONARCHS

AND THE HOUSES UNDER MILLICENT



Her Most Imperial Sovereign Grace, Grand Duchess XLV, GoDiva



Thank you all for coming to Coronation XLVI! Like many of you I am so very happy that we get to share this experience in person after a long and isolating year. **Carrie and Tanner**, I am so grateful that you welcomed me into your upper house and gave me the chance to help on the front lines once again. The opportunity you have given to me has given me the confidence to say the time is now not maybe next year. I am extremely proud how as a team we pivoted with the situation and were always exploring how to work the system when the rules seemed to keep changing. Some online stuff worked better than others and some worked so well that I'm certain that they will become the new normal and part of 45's legacy. **Colin and Rexxxxxxxxxxy** I see greatness in your future, reach for it. **Bambi** you continue to grow and surprise us all, never stop and the city will be yours. **Ryan and Natasha** I was so hoping cases would drop and we could see you in person but it was not meant to be, maybe next year. **Fred, Satina, Makayla, Toots, Big Daddy,** thanks for the recent chats**. Ruby S, Ethyl, Krystall, Vanity, and Ruby H** who help keep me bewigged, bejeweled, and befrocked. **Rob B** who I can count on to talk to, keep me going, and impart knowledge and history. Thanks to all of **YOU!** yes you who volunteered, bought tickets, watched shows, shared posts it all counts. Lastly thank you to the one who puts up with GoDiva and Dan and all the disaster we make, **Peter** I love you.

HMISG GoDiva



Her Most Imperial Sovereign Highness, Princess XLV, Rexy Resurrection



Friends, family, and chosen family, thank you all for supporting us through the year. Living in my own world, I didn't understand that anything can happen when you take a chance. I never believed in what I couldn't see. I never opened my heart to all the possibilities. I couldn't see that I had a more supportive team than I thought. I was carried through a very tough time while still trying to do as much for the team within the realm of restrictions. It forced me to open my heart to the possibility that people actually give a crap about me. I have been so closed off from the world that I never see what's right in front of me.

TANNER: My Emperor. My House of Silence Co-Member. I have many things I could say about you… but I don't want to because I don't want you to hate me. Lol I'm kidding. You've always been a great friend to me, and an even greater friend this year. You've shown a true sense of leadership that I expect from someone like you, and I'm proud to see how much you've grown as a person since I've known you.

CARRIE: My Empress. My Bootylicious Bombshell. You seem to have been by my side the whole time I've known you, yet I never realized it. You noticed my accomplishments when others didn't in the past, and continued to encourage myself and the rest of the team the whole year through. You are a true diamond and it's been the greatest pleasure standing by your side. You have been very gracious in leading me on the path that I need to go down, and with everything that has happened this year I appreciate everything you have done so much. I don't know how I will ever repay your kindness.

BAMBI: My Duchess. My Deer. You are the epitome of light and love. You have so much love to give, and I'm very happy to have been on the receiving end of it. You put your heart into everything you do 110%. I have nothing but respect for you now, next week, and for the years to come. You are amazing, don't let anyone tell you otherwise.

GODIVA: My Duchess. My Superstar. You really are. You showed me things that I might have never known or might not have ever thought of. You were a role model for all of us this year, and did things tenfold. You just leave me in awe. You have this likability that's so infectious, an uncanny sense of humour, yet also this very serious get-it-done-right attitude about you. On top of showing me the ropes of being a Princess, you also helped me in ways that I never thought I would ever need. I really hope to one day return the favour… or at the very least help someone in the way you have helped me.

COLIN: My Prince. My Roommate. I saved you for last, but you are definitely not the least by a long shot. I've seen firsthand the work you have put in this year, and you have been nothing short of amazing… in more ways than one. You helped me in a time that I really needed someone, no questions asked. You took me in under your roof and made me feel at home. You have shown me an insane amount of kindness in such a short amount of time, and if there is anyone I don't know how to repay, it's you. You basically made me your family, and I hope you know that I appreciate you in every sense possible. You are a great, hard working, strong willed, amazing and bright person who deserves nothing but the best, and you are so awesome!

To everyone else, thank you. Thank you for supporting the ISCWR. Thank you for picking me up when I was down. Thank you for making us laugh when we were sad. Thank you for being a friend. This could be the start of something new. We're soaring. Flying. There's not a star in Heaven that we can't reach. You rock, don't ever change. Make good choices. Love you, mean it. Don't miss me too much. Miss you already. Love you long time. Deuces. Peace!

The Shamelessly Silly, Yet Still Pretty Alright Looking Girl On Fire
Her Most Imperial Sovereign Highness
Imperial Crown Princess 45
Rexy Resurrection

Her Most Imperial Sovereign Majesty, Empress XLV, Carrie Du'Way



Hello friends and family, and welcome to Coronation 46!

I hope that everyone travelling from near and far enjoy this weekends festivities and enjoy our first fully open Coronation event in almost two years! (Thanks Miss Rona)

To say this year was not what I had expected is certainly an understatement... While every year brings its own unique challenges, this year was very much wading into uncharted territory. Walking into this reign, we made two plans, the first was going to be a few months of downtime and some online shows then back in action with live events. The second was our worst-case scenario, everything online, and an entire year hoping for things to open again.. and well.. we all know how that went.

Even though this year brought its fair share of challenges and hurdles, I am left reflecting on how much our team and community rallied with us and made this an unforgettable year for so many more reasons than a pandemic. There have been so many monumental shifts in the world, the community and definitely the drag scene. This will forever be the year that everyone learned so quickly how important friends, family and connection are, the year that people learned new skills and the year that drag pushed the boundaries and embraced a digital platform. Almost overnight, there were so many performers putting out goodness into the world and making some of the most amazing media.

Throughout the years, the ISCWR and our community have persevered and proven that anything is possible and this year was no exception. We tried new things, found new opportunities and made new partnerships around the city. From online zoom shows to digital 50/50's and the online auction group, we found so much success in jumping in feet first and seeing where it took us. The community was absolutely astounding in the support we received and I can honestly say it was so wonderful to feel that love.

This year we set out to do something a little different, rather than choose an outside charity, we put all of our love and energy into the John. M. Kerr Memorial Bursary to raise money for queer post secondary students. We thought, "well lets put all our efforts into this one thing and help people in a capacity we haven't really been able to before". And to say I am so proud of what this team has done to make this idea burst at the seams wouldn't do it justice. I am so humbled for what has blossomed with this years efforts.

As I said before, in so many ways this year was not what I expected it would be, I've heard it said so many times before from others and of course, being on this side, I now understand. There is a lot to reflect on, some things I would change or have done differently if I could go back, but a great deal more I wouldn't change even if I could. I have learned a lot about myself this year, and had a lot of tough self reflection, I have grown in a lot of ways, allowed myself to become more vulnerable. I've had my belief in our community and the necessity of queer spaces reinforced, and realized how much physical interaction with others was a luxury taken for granted.

I struggled a lot this year with self confidence and while there is still a great deal of work left to do, I feel so much more certain that trusting myself and my instincts are a good thing. I am so excited to see what the future holds for the ISCWR and everyone involved, there are so many more boundaries to break, walls to dismantle and friendships to make.

I know a lot of people who will read this will relate to the fact that travel being non existent for a year really left a void in the Court experience. After all, it is one of the best parts of putting in the work, the bonds created and friendships forged are part of what makes this system so wonderful and puts a larger scope on what it means to be a community and what it means to have friendships. This year not being able to travel gave us an opportunity to really focus in on our own community which was absolutely wonderful and I would not change that at all, however, I cannot wait to stretch my arms and hug our family all over the ICS and get into some out of town shenanigans.

And that brings us back coronation weekend, I am so grateful that we are able to host an in person event this year and welcome out of town guests. While this weekend will look a little different that what we are used to seeing in Edmonton, it will be so good to connect with everyone who is able to come and celebrate this year, I hope everyone has a wonderful weekend and remembers that no matter what, and no matter the distance, we are a community.

I remain,
Her Most Imperial and Sovereign Majesty
The pretty in pink empress of attitude, anyhow and all... that... ass.
Empress 45
Carrie Du'Way - Mockingbird-DoPoint-PumpDiamonds-Steele-BDDP-White-Loren-DeWitt

Tanner – What can I say.. I am so so grateful for you, you have shown exactly what an Emperor is capable of. The amount of grit, determination and leadership you possess is nothing short of amazing. Throughout the year you stepped up time and time again to make things happen. The time you take to show others what is needed or to review and give advice is the true token of an Emperor. I know this year was not in virtually any way what we anticipated, but I am so glad we got to ride this extremely fucked up ride together. You are more than my Emperor, you are my friend, my brother and I love you.. And I will tackle you any time.

Rexy - Girl, this year you stepped into this role and ran with it, you have had quite the amount of curveballs thrown at you and like a pro, you push forward with a smile and a joke. You have so much talent in everything you do. I am so proud of how much you have done and sure as hell cannot wait to see what you do next. What do clouds wear? Thunderwear..

Colin - My sweet Bae, there is so much to say. This year wouldn't have been complete without you. I have always admired you and your passion, your all in and balls to the wall drive. You have so much to be proud of this year and I know when you are ready to take that next step toward Monarch you will meet it with as much drive and tenacity that you did this year, if not more. I know that you will knock it out of the park, you have the skillset and the right attitude. Your hugs make the day brighter and you are one of my favorite humans on this planet.

Godiva - You volunteered yourself for this year as Duchess.. and I am SO glad you did. This year would not have been anything close to what it has been without you. You are a powerhouse within our community and a true legend. This year posed so many new challenges for us, but without hesitation, you met those challenges head on and took the initiative to make them amazing. I know that whatever opportunities come to you, you will take them on as a leader and show the kids how it is done. You truly are a queen.

Bambi - Well sweets, you took on this role while holding another title... and ran an absolutely iconic YouTube channel... in a pandemic.. You are a god damn rock star! You have had such an eventful year and I am so glad to have gotten to know you better and become closer. I am so proud of everything you have done and I am so excited to see what you do next. You are not only one of the sweetest people I know, but you are also one of the funniest. I know that your next title will be another step on the ladder that takes you higher and higher. All my love, girl!

Tosheena/Kenya- I don't even know where to start.. Not only did you agree to take on the role as my half this year, you took on president of the board, ran our auctions, did almost all of our media, ran our 50/50's, redid our website and re-imagined how we can fundraise.. You are an absolute marvel and in no way could possibly be thanked enough for everything you do. Beyond all of those things you are one of the most kind, caring and supportive people I have ever met. I am so lucky to call you my person. You are more than my friend, you are my family. You keep me looking forward and pushing through whatever comes my way. All of the ledges I find myself on , you talk me off of, when I need to vent and get something out you are there with love and a shoulder. I cant begin to express the gratitude I have for you.. I will always start walking your way, and you can start walking mine, we'll meet in the middle, neath that old Georgia pine. I love you to the moon and back, babe. Thank you for being a friend..

Maya – This year was not what I had planned, We didn't get to see each other virtually at all, we didn't have all the time to connect with how the world was burning around us and like the rest of the world, things don't always line up. But I want you to know I love you and cannot wait to hug you again. Trampage for life, my sister!

Hellacious – Thanks for the dough, babe! But in all seriousness, thank you for all of your support this year. I am extremely grateful that we have been able to become closer and closer. Beer darts and Stupid conversations are just the tip of the iceberg.. I hope you know how much I love and appreciate you, You fucking weirdo..

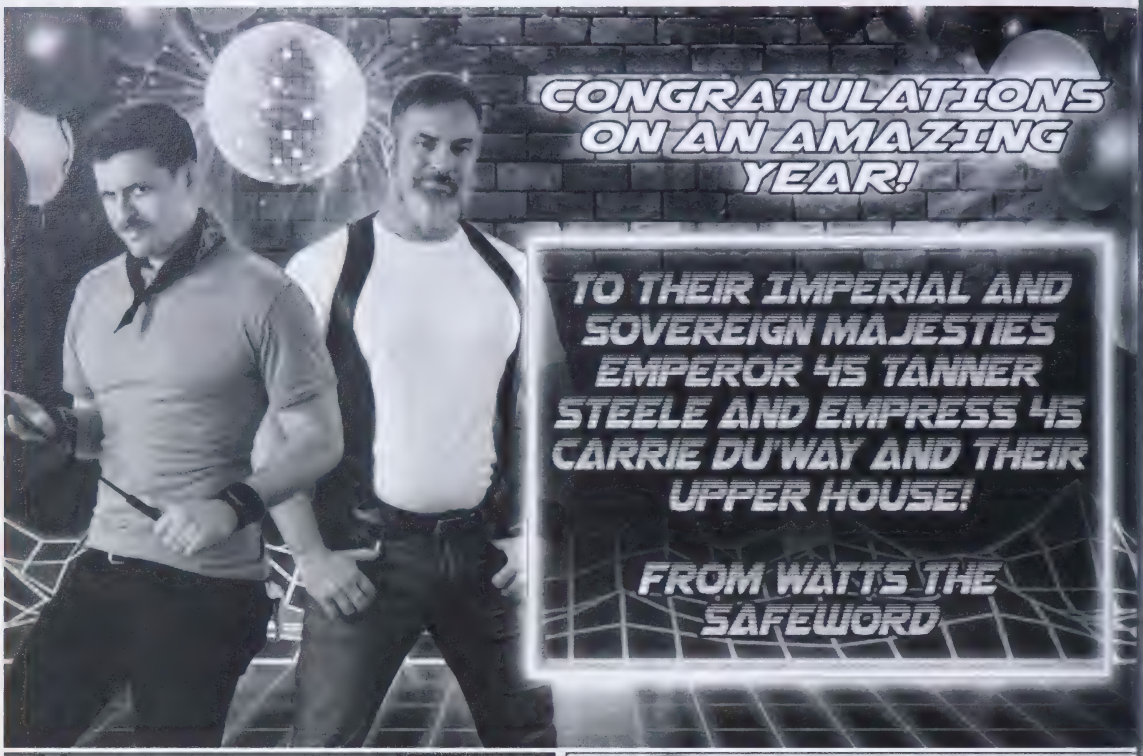
Rene – Well sir, Here we are.. I cant thank you enough for all of your support.. Your regular check ins and your epic amount of advice was a welcome constant this year. The Ideas, the WAP, the show tunes.. I know the distance doesn't make it easy, but you made it seem easy and effortless, I am grateful you were with us this year and I am expecting an extremely tight and weird hug when I see you.

Chad – The love of my life, you are the best thing that has ever happened to me.. I can't even begin to put into words how lucky I am. You put up with so much this year (okay, yes, you put up with a lot on any given day).. Without your kindness, love and support I wouldn't have been able to do this year. I took this on in a place where I wasn't sure if I would even be able to do it, but you stood by me and pushed me forward, through all the years I have been involved you have given me the space to explore and try new things, take on new ideas and rally right beside me. I joke that you stole my twenties but I would give them to you willingly every day for the rest of my life. Nothing I have or have achieved is mine alone, you are the reason I feel brave, and you are the reason I want to be brave. With all of my heart, I love you more and more every day. Thank you for being my partner, my gardener and my lobster (also my corset tier).

There are so many more people to thank and mention, but It seems I have run out of room to do so... there is never enough time and never enough space to show the people how much they mean to you. Keeping it simple, thank you to everyone who has been there for me and made my life better for knowing you. I am very much one of the luckiest people alive.

Xoxo

Carrie







CONGRATULATIONS TO CARRIE, TANNER AND REIGN 45 ON A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS DURING THE YEAR OF THE PLAGUE!!!

HISM Emperor 32 of Calgary, Michael Myte



HISM Emperor 44 Chris D Bear &
HISH ICP 44 GiGi Gaynor
Wishes to Congratulate Reign 45 On
A Fantastic Year..

His Most Imperial Sovereign Majesty, Emperor XLV, Tanner Steele

Hello friends, family, and distinguished guests,

Welcome to Coronation 46! Thank you all for coming to celebrate with us after being in lockdown for so long. It is great to see so many of your smiling faces, and I hope this continues with no more COVID interruptions. I am filled with a mix of emotions as this reign comes to an end, and it's going to be hard to put them down on paper, but I will try my best.

Everyone says, at the end of their reign, that it didn't go the way they expected it would. It would be crazy to think that any reign goes precisely according to plan. This year, however, looked nothing like I hoped it would when I started planning two years ago. Don't get me wrong; I'm happy with how it went overall. We raised a lot of money, and we had practically a drama-free reign, but if you had asked me 18 months ago what I thought the year would look like, I definitely wouldn't have said we would spend nine months of our reign online and isolated from the rest of the world. A year ago, when I sat down in front of the college and laid out my plan for the year, I internally was thinking, "we will spend a few months with small capacities and maybe a couple of online events, and then it will all go back to normal." Needless to say, that didn't happen.

We, as a world, became professionals of waiting. Waiting for case numbers to drop, waiting for vaccines to roll out, waiting for second doses, waiting for our economy to reopen.

Just. Waiting.

As a team and organization, we decided that waiting was not going to be an option. So we learned. We learned how to run online 50/50s and silent auctions. We learned how to run drag shows and engage our community through zoom (and eventually watch2gether). We learned how to create new and exciting fundraising means with local businesses.

And after all this learning, we thrived. We held highly successful events. We brought performers from across North America to our Northern Alberta community. We brought our performances to other courts to help them raise funds. We created bonds with many businesses, organizations, and community members that will surpass these stressful times. And most importantly, we raised tens of thousands of dollars for 2SLGBTQIA+ students.

All this leaves me feeling bittersweet. I'm bitter that COVID robbed my team of the opportunity to travel and support our friends. It was frustrating not to attend in-person events, have fun, and raise money with my Edmonton family. I had to wait eight months to even see my team of 6 all at the same time face-to-face. I became sick of drag shows. I'd roll my eyes at every show because I was so over sitting on my couch in a dress shirt and sweatpants. It had nothing to do with the quality of the show or performers; it was all resentment towards COVID and the people who were not following rules and preventing us from having a typical year.

There were many redeeming qualities, though. The first being our team. We worked together so well and got through the year without wanting to strangle each other. Everyone was so willing to jump in and help out with our crazy plans and always with a smile. Secondly, the community support we received filled my heart for every show and fundraiser. Friends and strangers from across North America stepped up and attended shows, bought 50/50, and spent A LOT of money on silent auctions to help fund our bursary. And lastly, seeing all the applicants for the bursary, and seeing how much good we can do this year. These three groups kept me going this year and put the fun back into this reign.

If you have bothered to read everything until this point without just skimming looking for your name, we are now at the point where I will thank the people that had my back this year.

Bambi - Your growth this year, both on and off the stage, has been remarkable. You have really started to come into your own. Thank you for all the joy you brought to this reign. Although you had some hardships early on, you bounced back amazingly. I cannot wait to see where you go from here!



GoDiva - Thank you for bringing your experience and wisdom to the reign this year. Whenever we needed something done, we knew we could rely on you to get the job done. Congrats, and I wish you well in your upcoming year (fingers crossed). I will be here for whatever you need.

Rexy - Thank you for being the queen of dad jokes this year. You brought a smile to my face pretty much on the daily with your weird-ass jokes. I hope that as things get better and things get back to normal, you can look back and have fond memories of this year.

Colin - You were the definition of what a prince should be. You were resourceful, hard-working, and a go-getter, and I can't thank you enough for all your work this year. I'm sorry I couldn't be as involved in many of your fundraising efforts but know that I always 100% trusted you and your endeavors. I can guarantee you will be an amazing emperor one day, and I hope to be by your side as you kick ass!

Jacque- Thank you for continuously checking in on Carrie and me. When I asked you to be my half, I didn't know what to expect out of an "in and out" of town half. I thought I would have a travel buddy and an excellent out-of-town rep, but I got so much more than that from you. I hope I can be as great of an out-of-town half to someone as you were to me. Love you and hope to see you soon :)

Hellacious - Thank you for your financial contributions to reign 45 :D JK love you, gurl. Thank you for being by my side this year. I had hoped that your role would be to bring the fun and party back to our in-person events, but uh…. COVID. I know you did everything you could this year to help us, even if it was just checking in and donating and bidding on silent auction items. I can't wait till we can hit the circuit together.

Carrie - Thank you for going on this wild ride with me this year. I know this looked nothing like we expected, but I'm proud you took that leap of faith with me anyways. I hope you got the empress feeling out of your reign. I couldn't imagine doing this year without you, and thank you for being a friend ;)

Tosheena - I love you so much. This year really could not have happened without your behind the scenes work on our 50/50s and silent auctions. I can't even put into words how much your support has meant to me all year. I promise we can slow down a bit now, but do know that I want to do this again with you by my side ;). Thank you, Thank you, THANK YOU! #BestPresidentEver #BestGirlfriendEver

And lastly, **THANK YOU** to every person who donated to us, bought 50/50, bought silent auction items and tickets to shows, bought our sponsored beer, bought raffle tickets, and overall, supported our reign. We seriously could not have done this without you.

There will be more people to thank, but you will have to wait because I am out of space to write. I love you, my Edmonton and court community. I cannot wait until I can get together with each one of you to celebrate our friendship and hard work properly.

I remain, in humble service to the community, court, and crown,

His Most Imperial and Sovereign Majesty, The Trantastic Superboy Emperor of Puppies and Poké Balls,
He's Masc4Mask, Emperor 45 of Edmonton, and All Northern Alberta

Tanner Steele

White DeWitt Maines Strappe Charmin

His Most Imperial Sovereign Highness, Prince XLV,
Colin Bae



Welcome to the final zoom meeting of Reign 45! What a reign it has been! From maintaining our distance, learning new technology and getting cozy online… to now being together once again. When I was approached and asked to step up as Prince, I never would have expected the wild ride that it took me on. The amount of love and support from our sponsors, community and board was overwhelming and I cannot thank you all enough.

Duchess Bambi Dextrous - Oh my Bambi! You are a true ray of sunshine. It was only a short time ago we stepped down as King & Queens of Hearts, and now we close another chapter together. I am so proud of the person you have become. Here's to the future of becoming better friends, you continuing to kick my butt at pool, and me holding your face and yelling how proud I am of you.

Duchess GoDiva - I am so happy to have had the chance to get to know you better. When you stepped up and saved my ass by hosting a show for me a couple of years ago, I knew then that you would be someone I could rely on. Your kindness and support over the last year will be forever appreciated. I wish you the best of luck with whatever the future holds.

Princess Rexy - My Queen of Hearts, My Princess and now my roommate. To say we have been through some challenges this year would be an understatement. You have been a massive support to me this year both as Princess and as my friend. I couldn't have survived the last few months without you. Thank you for making me laugh, keeping me sane, and most importantly.. making one hell of a pb&j sandwich and keeping my apple juice filled. You will forever be the Gabriella to my Troy. Although we are breaking free, always remember that you are loved by absolutely everybody.

Empress Carrie Du'Way - You're so beautiful it's not fair. Thank you for always checking in, helping with the tech, and filling in my awkward silences on Zoom. You were such an amazing support to me this year, and always knew when I needed a little extra love. I am so happy to have you a part of my chosen family. I hope you achieved everything you wanted to this year, you should be incredibly proud of yourself.

Emperor Tanner Steele - I have no idea why you asked me to be your prince, but it has been an absolute honour to work with you this year.. Thank you for believing me, trusting me, and annoying me all year. There is no one else I would have rather stood next to. I promise one day you will not have to fix my collar, straighten my tie, or fix my jewels… sorry, that night isn't tonight. You have helped me in more ways than I could ever imagine, and I do not have enough words to express my gratitude for the friendship we have built.
I hope you feel as proud about yourself, as I am of you. Congratulations on a successful year.

Tosheena - Thank you for the many hours spent on 50/50, online auctions and virtual shows. We couldn't have survived this year without you.
You have been a bigger support to me this last year than I deserved. Thank you for putting up with my crazy ideas, and for always knowing when I needed a little extra squeeze.

Ashley - The last year hasn't been easy for either of us, but I am so grateful that it brought us together. Thank you for always knowing exactly what I need before I realize it, for supporting me without question, and loving me unconditionally. I am so proud to be your partner. I love you.

I want to say one last thank you to everyone who supported Reign 45 from across the country, and for those a little closer to home. It was amazing to share our virtual stage with so many amazing people. Your messages and kind words throughout the year will never be forgotten.
To Reign 46, best of luck with your upcoming year! You have my support however needed.

I remain in humble service
His Most Imperial Sovereign Highness,
Imperial Crowned Prince 45 of Edmonton and all Northern Alberta
The Sassy but Classy
Colin Bae

Her Most Imperial Sovereign Grace, Grand Duchess XLV,

Bambi Dextrous



Hello, Friends of the Flowers!

The Queen of the Garden Centre got transplanted into the Imperial Sovereign Court of the Wild Rose Bush this year! I kept trying to decide between a funny or serious message. For now, I'll just do both and see how it grows! Lettuce now address the Upper House of Reign 45, for all of their hard work this year.

To my Prince and Princess, Colin and Rexy; we have grown up together like peas in a pod, first stepping up as the Hearts in 2018. You are both funny, compassionate, hardworking and dedicated individuals and I'm thrilled that we were reunited and able to share this year together!

To my co-Duchess, GoDiva; you are an Edmonton legend with a fearless attitude and fierce work ethic. I knew from the start that I would have to step up or step aside. Thanks to your guiding light, I rose to the occasion, weeded out my insecurities and turned over a new leaf! Thank you so much for being a Bosom Buddy!

Carrie, my Empress, you lead the team this year with style and grace. A Queen with a heart of gold, you are quick to lend a helping hand, or lend an earring or two. Swift and beautiful like a Venus Fly Trap, you stole my heart in a snap!

Tanner, my Emperor, I've been very fortunate to have known you for these last few years, and to have watched you grow into the man you are today. I would describe you the same way I would describe a Succulent: tough on the outside, soft on the inside, and always looking sharp! Thank you for giving me this opportunity to blossom!

Oh my gourd! I am out of thyme! I hope you have enjoyed olive my puns. Thistle be my final message before I leaf you.

I wish you all good luck in your future endeavours; know that I'll be rooting for you!

I remain,
Her Most Imperial Sovereign Grace, Imperial Grand Duchess XLV of Edmonton and all of Northern Alberta,
Bambi Dextrous

Entertainer of the Year 2020

Artasia



Hello lovelies,

It has been a tremendous year of entertaining you. Never in my wildest dreams growing up on a small island on the other side of the world did I imagine that I would get the chance to grow into the person I am today and be blessed with the opportunities to entertain all of you. Thank you for all the support you have given during this reign and a special thank you to Empress & Emperor, Carrie Du'Way and Tanner Steele of the 45th Imperial House of the Candied Yams & Fish Tacos, for getting us through the pandemic and making it one hell of a year to remember. We couldn't have done it without our community staying strong and sticking together. We love and appreciate every one of you who have been there in support of community including those who couldn't make it out this past year. Much love to you all.

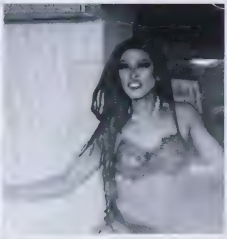
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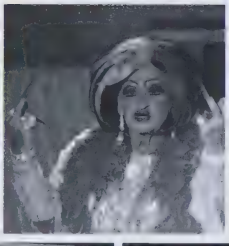


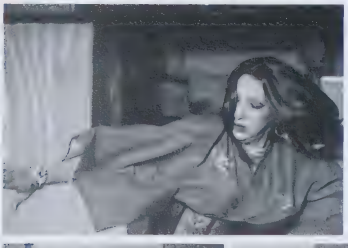


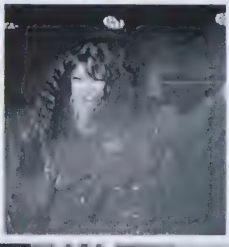


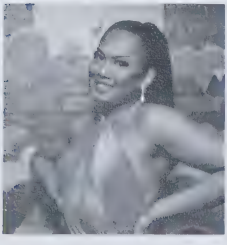












Aspirants to the Throne

For Emperor XLVI



Rob

For Empress XLVI



GoDiva

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THE 45TH HOUSE WAS PROUD TO FUNDRAISE PRIMARILY FOR THE JOHN M KERR MEMORIAL BURSARY. THIS BURSARY WAS FOUNDED IN 1984 AND NAMED AFTER JOHN M KERR.
JOHN WAS ONE OF THE ISCWR'S EARLIEST SUPPORTERS, BRINGING HIS BACKGROUND IN DANCE TO ELEVATE DRAG IN EDMONTON. A STRICT TASK-MASTER WHEN IT CAME TO PRODUCTIONS LIKE A CHORUS LINE, JOHN WAS ALSO A GENTLE AND CHEERFUL MAN, BELOVED BY MANY, UNTIL HIS PASSING IN 1985.

IN MEMORIAM

OVER OUR HISTORY, WE HAVE LOST MANY FRIENDS.
THIS LIST INCLUDES MONARCHS WHO HAVE SHAPED OUR COURT AND COMMUNITY. THOSE MONARCHS ARE LISTED HERE, TO KEEP THEIR LEGACY ALIVE FOREVER.

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